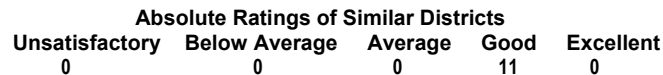


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ABSOLUTE RATING: Good
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Average



Definitions of District Rating Terms

Excellent- District performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

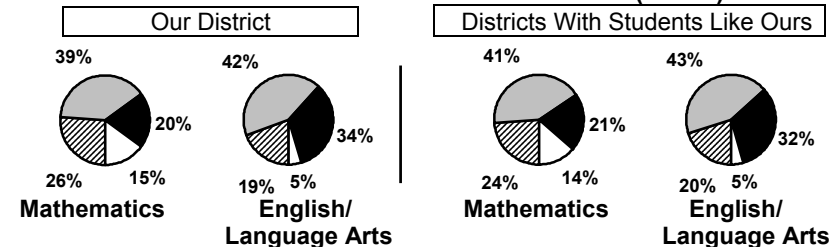
Good- District performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average- District performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average- District is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory- District performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



Advanced
 Proficient
 Basic
 Below Basic

DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Group	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2002		Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships*		Students Scoring Basic or Above on The PACT		
	N	%	N	%	N	% ELA	% Math
All students	577	97.7%	522	31.0%	4,043	80.6%	73.8%
Students with disabilities other than speech	6	100.0%	26	3.8%	338	68.6%	48.1%
Students without disabilities	570	97.7%	496	32.5%	3,676	82.3%	76.7%
Gender							
Male	287	97.6%	250	31.6%	2,077	77.5%	73.9%
Female	289	97.9%	272	30.5%	1,966	83.8%	73.7%
Ethnic Group							
African American	138	93.5%	130	9.2%	1,105	65.7%	53.8%
Hispanic	8	100.0%	10	10.0%	162	67.9%	64.2%
White	413	99.3%	369	40.4%	2,613	87.7%	82.2%
Other	17	94.1%	13	0.0%	157	79.6%	83.4%
Lunch Status							
Free/reduced-price lunch	128	94.5%	94	2.1%	1,523	67.1%	58.0%
Pay for lunch	447	98.7%	428	37.4%	2,459	90.0%	84.7%

N equals number of students on which percentages are calculated.

*Using the criteria for students who entered college in fall 2001.

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TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	First-time Examinees		
	2000	2001	2002
Our district			
Passed all 3 subtests	74.5%	72.9%	73.7%
Passed 2 subtests	13.7%	13.9%	12.8%
Passed 1 subtest	8.2%	7.9%	8.8%
Passed no subtest	3.5%	5.2%	4.7%
Districts with students like ours			
Passed all 3 subtests	74.1%	74.0%	73.1%
Passed 2 subtests	14.9%	15.4%	15.6%
Passed 1 subtest	7.3%	7.1%	7.4%
Passed no subtest	3.7%	3.6%	3.8%

LIFE scholarships at four-year institutions*

	Percent of Seniors Meeting Grade Point Average Requirement	Meeting SAT/ACT Requirement
Our District	31.0	62.3
Districts Like Ours	24.7	58.1

*Using the criteria for students who entered college in fall 2001.

College Admissions Tests: Tests that are frequently used in the college admissions process.

	SAT Verbal		SAT Math		SAT Total		ACT English		ACT Math		ACT Reading		ACT Science		ACT Total	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002
District	527	519	516	521	1043	1040	20.0	20.6	19.8	20.4	20.2	20.4	19.9	20.3	20.1	20.5
State	486	488	488	493	974	981	18.8	18.8	19.3	19.1	19.5	19.3	19.2	19.2	19.3	19.2
Nation	506	504	514	516	1020	1020	20.5	20.2	20.7	20.6	21.3	21.1	21.0	20.8	21.0	20.8

These tests were administered to samples of students:

Terra Nova Test: A national, norm-referenced achievement test.

Percent scoring in upper half

	Reading		Language		Math		Total	
	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
Grade 4	47.8	50.0	43.1	50.0	58.4	50.0	50.5	50.0
Grade 7	45.8	50.0	59.4	50.0	54.7	50.0	53.9	50.0
Grade 10	59.6	50.0	59.5	50.0	62.4	50.0	59.1	50.0

National Assessment of Education Progress : A national, criterion-referenced achievement test.

Percents of Students

Test	Grade	Year	Advanced		Proficient		Basic		Below Basic	
			State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
Reading	4	1998	4	6	18	23	33	32	45	39
Writing	8	1998	0	1	15	23	64	59	21	17
Mathematics	4	2000	2	3	16	23	42	43	40	31

ABBREVIATIONS FOR MISSING DATA

N/A – Not Applicable

N/C – Not Collected

N/R – Not Reported

I/S – Insufficient Sample

DISTRICT PROFILE

INDICATORS OF DISTRICT PERFORMANCE

	This District	Change from Last Year	Districts With Students Like Ours	Median District
DISTRICT				
• Dollars per student	\$6,132	Up 9.7%	\$6,385	\$7,072
• Prime instructional time	92.1%	Down from 92.3%	90.3%	89.9%
• Student-teacher ratio	22.5 to 1	Up from 22.1 to 1	21.9 to 1	18.6 to 1
• Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.0%	No change	0.0%	0.4%
STUDENTS (n=8,979)				
• Advanced placement/ Int'l baccalaureate program:				
Participation Rate	29.1%	N/A	10.2%	9.3%
Exam Success Rate	66.8%	N/A	62.1%	52.7%
• Attendance Rate	96.4%	Down from 96.8%	96.1%	96.0%
• Taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	7.3%	Down from 7.7%	7.1%	7.1%
• Taking PACT (Math) off grade level	4.0%	Down from 5.3%	4.3%	5.6%
• Retention rate	3.9%	Up from 2.8%	4.0%	5.6%
TEACHERS (n=621)				
• Professional development days per teacher	5.0 Days	Down from 8.0Days	5.0 Days	5.0 Days
• Attendance rate	96.1%	Up from 96.0%	95.5%	95.0%
• Advanced Degrees	63.1%	Up from 61.1%	52.3%	46.6%
• Continuing contracts	85.2%	Down from 85.3%	84.3%	83.1%
• Out-of-field permits	0.3%	Down from 0.7%	1.4%	2.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous year	90.6%	Down from 91.6%	90.6%	88.6%
• Average salary	\$43,363	Up 5.2%	\$40,826	\$39,023

DISTRICT FACTS

DISTRICT				
• Annual dropout rate	1.4%	Up from 1.0%	2.2%	3.1%
• Percentage spent on teacher salaries	61.0%	Up from 59.8%	55.4%	53.7%
• Superintendent's years in the district	15.0	Up from 14.0	11.0	3.0
• Parent conferences	90.1%	Up from 88.4%	96.2%	93.9%
• Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No change	Excellent	Excellent
• Number of schools	13	No change	9	8
• Number of alternative schools	0	No change	0	0
• Number of charter schools	0	No change	0	0
• Number of magnet schools	0	No change	0	0
• Portable classrooms	2.0%	No change	7.1%	6.6%
• Attendance rate of district office staff	97.2%	Up from 96.9%	97.1%	96.8%
• Average administrative salary	\$70,033	Up 3.7%	\$69,931	\$66,570
STUDENTS				
• Enrollment in adult education GED or diploma programs	102	N/A	109	129
• Number of completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	37	N/A	37	37
• Suspensions and expulsions	0.2%	N/A	0.9%	1.5%
• Percent eligible for state gifted and talented programs	16.0%	Down from 22.4%	14.9%	10.6%
• Percentage with disabilities other than speech	9.0%	Down from 9.4%	11.4%	10.7%

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Grades K-12

Enrollment: 8,979 Students

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DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The mission statement for Spartanburg School District Six guarantees all students the highest quality education by providing competent staff, challenging curriculum, first-class facilities, and a supportive climate. We are very proud of the accomplishments of all of our schools this year. Anderson Mill, Pauline-Glenn Springs, and West View elementary schools and Dorman High School received the Palmetto Gold Award for academic excellence. Arcadia Elementary received the Palmetto Silver Award. Dorman High School seniors scored an average of 1043 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test, as compared with a national average of 1020. This level of achievement is the culmination of the total educational program in Spartanburg Six.

Although test scores are important, they do not completely define a child or a school. The district faculty and staff have worked diligently this year on continuous improvement in all areas of student achievement -- academics, athletics, and the arts. Our fine arts program has received numerous state and national awards this year and provided tremendous opportunities for our students. Our athletic teams had another championship year.

An extensive building program and forward-looking educational plan that stresses early childhood education and academic excellence are key elements of District Six. Three of the district's thirteen schools have been recognized as National Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence. Foreign language instruction begins in kindergarten and culminates in the opportunity to choose from advanced placement level foreign languages at the high school. A state of the art high school for 10-12 graders and a new ninth grade facility opened this past August. These schools showcase the latest in technology and design and afford students the opportunity to learn in a setting where form meets function. Our facilities augment the strength of our instructional staff and reflect the high expectations we hold for our students and our commitment to provide the best for them.

Spartanburg Six serves a diverse community of over 9,000 learners. Our commitment is to excellence for our students and our community.

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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